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Sen. Stamas focusing on JOBS for Michigan jobs

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LANSING – Senate Republicans continue to fight for Michigan families by working hard on job-saving legislation designed to help get Michigan working, state Sen. Tony Stamas, R-Midland, announced today.

"The JOBS Action Plan makes sense," Stamas said. "Our priority is to protect Michigan jobs and increase job opportunities for our residents. We should be focused on helping companies stay in Michigan and attracting new businesses to set up shop."

Since last fall Senate and House Republicans have been moving full speed ahead on the JOBS Action Plan, a broad Republican package for revitalizing Michigan's economy.

Legislation in the JOBS Action Plan is designed to improve Michigan's economy by creating new job opportunities, saving existing jobs, and promoting a friendlier and healthier business climate in Michigan.

Key elements of the plans include:

- The Private Labs Package to create a state-laboratory accreditation program establishing uniform performance standards and helping expand the use of private labs by the state;
- Measures to prevent stringent business standards from impeding economic development and job creation;
- Providing an equipment tax credit to promote development of high-speed Internet infrastructure;
- Eliminating red-tape nightmares by removing burdensome regulations for businesses; and
- Keeping business bankruptcy assets in Michigan by providing an incentive for companies to participate in the bankruptcy proceedings of other in-state companies.

"We having been working hard on the JOBS Action Plan and several bills have already been signed into law, but we know our job isn't done yet," Stamas said. "We are committed to helping Michigan's economy improve."